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For: Aluminium Acetoacetate Compounds, the Production and Use Thereof as

Printing Ink Additives

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Examiner: Margaret Medley

## **AMENDMENT**

U.S. Commissioner for Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed April 18, 2002, kindly amend the above-identified application as follows:

## IN THE CLAIMS

Kindly amend Claims 23 and 24 as follows:

## Clean Version of Amended Claims

- 23. (Amended) A composition comprising:
- (A) one or more aluminium compounds with three ligands per aluminium atom of the following kind: